

HS Directors,

I hope your rehearsals for MPA are going well. I am looking forward to seeing all of you next week!

1. Please be sure to go to the scdba website (Concert Band MPA page) and download/read the following forms/info that you will need to bring with you for HS MPA:

- Check list
- Announcement Sheet
- Instrumentation Sheet
- Repertoire Sheet
- Seating Chart
- Score Catalog (to borrow scores for MPA)
- Recording Order Form (must order/pay when you register)

2. Map of Mooresville High School Performing Arts Center is attached.

3. Plan on arriving **one hour** before your scheduled performance time so there is time for rest room, registration, unloading, etc. Our school day begins at 7:30am and ends at 2:30pm. School traffic is heavy from 7:00am - 7:30am and 2:30pm - 3:00pm. You will want to plan accordingly if you will be arriving during these times. Buses will park in the parking lot adjacent to the Performing Arts Center. See attached Map. Please have enough chaperones to help monitor your band while you are with us at Mooresville HS.

4. Leave all cases on your buses.

5. MPA plaques may be purchased on site for any band receiving a Superior Rating. They will be sold for **\$90 on site (or \$100 if you order them from NCMEA)**. Booster, school or band director checks are accepted (no parent checks) and should be made payable to **NCMEA SCDBA Treasurer**.

6. Sight Reading Information:

Bring all needed auxiliary percussion for your level of sight reading. Large Keyboard Percussion, Bass Drum, and Timpani will be provided. You will want to bring your own Snare Drum.

NC GRADE II BANDS (UIL LEVEL .5)

No Split Parts
Bells (1 player)
Snare Drum/Bass Drum (2 players)
Crash Cymbals (1 player)

NC GRADE III BANDS (UIL LEVEL 1)

1st, 2nd Clarinet
1st, 2nd Trumpet
Bells (1 player)
Snare Drum/Bass Drum (2 players)
Triangle/Crash Cymbals (1 or 2 players)
Timpani (1 player) (2 Timpani needed)

NC GRADE IV BANDS (UIL LEVEL 2)

1st, 2nd Clarinet
1st, 2nd Trumpet
Bells (1 player)
Snare Drum/Bass Drum (2 players)
Triangle/Crash Cymbals (2 players)

NC GRADE V BANDS (UIL LEVEL 3)

1st, 2nd Clarinet
1st, 2nd Trumpet
1st, 2nd Trombone
Bells (1 Player)
Snare Drum/Bass Drum (2 players)
Crash Cymbals/Triangle/Tambourine (2 or 3 players)
Timpani (1 player) (3 Timpani needed)

NC GRADE VI BANDS (UIL LEVEL 4)

1st, 2nd Clarinet
1st, 2nd Trumpet
1st, 2nd Trombone
Bells (1 player)
Snare Drum/Bass Drum (2 players)
Crash Cymbals/ Suspended
Cymbal/Triangle (2 players)
Timpani (1 player) (4 Timpani needed)

7. Warm-up Room:

We will do our best to ensure that we have enough chairs in the warm-up room for everyone. However, the stands for the district will be allocated for stage use and the stands in the warm-up room will belong to North Lincoln. We will guarantee that every child that needs a stand on the stage will have one. We will not make that guarantee in the sight-reading room or the warm-up room because we can't. Sharing will be necessary. Please plan and inform your students to expect to share stands in the warm-up room and in the sight-reading room. We will do our best to make sure everyone has what they need.

8. Comments/Recording/Packets

We will be using the google folders this year for judges' comments. You will receive an invitation to view via the email you used to register for MPA. We will place each group's comments in a folder specifically for that group. We will not release your packet until all parts of it are complete. Please be patient in the tally room. I will deliver your packet to you as soon as everything is ready. If you have checked anything out from the score library, please check that we have not inadvertently put those scores into your packet. We will post scores as soon as you have received your scores and you know your rating. Your clean stage recording will be placed in the google folder (Cost is \$20.00 - Checks made out to Alan Sledge).

9. Percussion

I know everyone has very responsible percussionists. I would, however, encourage you to label all of your equipment that you bring. This is especially helpful if anything gets left behind. Also, anything you need will need to travel with you. This includes ALL sticks and mallets.

Stage Percussion Provided:

Timpani
Concert Bass Drum
Vibraphone
Marimba
Xylophone
Glockenspiel
Chimes
Gong
Baby Grand Piano

Sightreading Room Percussion Provided:

Timpani
Concert Bass Drum
Vibraphone
Marimba
Xylophone
Glockenspiel
Chimes

10. My cell number is 704-467-6569 if you need to get in touch with me during the MPA event.

11. Please be sure to have original scores with you. There are only a couple of instances where a copied score is allowed. Please contact me ASAP if you have any questions about this.

12. Spectators CAN attend MPA Performances. Spectators should enter through the front lobby area of the Performing Arts Center (Doors Closest to Magnolia Street).

13. Bell Covers/Masks are optional for this event.

Please let me know if you have any questions. We are looking forward to having you at HS MPA in Mooresville!

Thank you,

Josh